

REMARKS

This application is the U.S. national phase, pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §371, of international application No. PCT/GB2004/002253, published in English on December 9, 2004 as international publication No. WO 2004/106743 A1, which claims the benefit of British application Ser. No. GB 0312249.6, filed May 29, 2003. Page 1 of the specification has been amended to reflect this information.

Consideration of the above identified application in view of the preceding amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested. Claims 1-13 are pending in this application. By this amendment, Claims 4-7 and 9-11 have been amended.

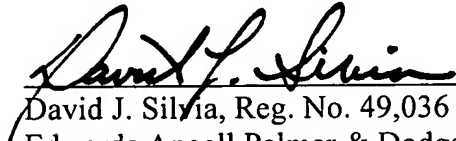
The claim amendments were made to eliminate multiple claim dependencies, for the purpose of reducing the excess claims fees, and to make minor editorial changes and/or correct minor typographical errors. No new matter has been added. Applicant hereby reserves the right to pursue the claims as originally filed, or similar claims, in one or more patent applications.

Any additional fees or overpayments due as a result of filing the present paper may be applied to Deposit Account No. 04-1105. It is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now remaining in this application are in condition for allowance, and such action is earnestly solicited.

If after reviewing this amendment, the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would facilitate the resolution of any remaining matters the undersigned attorney may be contacted at the number set forth herein below.

Respectfully submitted,

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